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ABSTRACT AND BIOGRAPHY

Architecting the Next Crewed Missions to the Moon

This talk will address the importance, complexity and insights into how the Constellation program's transportation and surface systems are architected for returning humans to the moon for long duration. The presentation will cover the overall architecture and how it was developed and validated. Specific aspects of the art and science of the architecting process will be featured.

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